

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7535

Petition of AARP Pursuant to 30 VSA § 218(e) for)
Establishment of Reduced Rates for Low-Income)
Consumers of Green Mountain Power Company and)
Central Vermont Public Service Corporation)

Order entered: 7/21/2009

ORDER OPENING INVESTIGATION
AND NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

I. INTRODUCTION

On May 19, 2009, AARP filed a petition, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 218(e), requesting that the Public Service Board ("Board") establish reduced rates for low-income residential consumers of Green Mountain Power Corporation and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

Section 218(e) provides that the Board "on its own motion or upon petition of any person, may issue an order approving a rate schedule, tariff, agreement, contract, or settlement that provides reduced rates for low income electric utility consumers better to assure affordability."

The Board hereby opens an investigation to consider the establishment of reduced rates for low-income residential customers of Green Mountain Power Corporation and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation. J. Riley Allen is appointed as Hearing Officer. A prehearing conference will be held on August 4, 2009, to establish a schedule for this investigation.

II. ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Public Service Board of the State of Vermont that:

1. Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 218(e), an investigation is opened to consider the establishment of reduced rates for low-income residential consumers of Green Mountain Power Corporation and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

2. Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 8, J. Riley Allen, Utilities Analyst, is appointed to serve as the Hearing Officer in this proceeding.

3. Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 10, a Prehearing Conference will be held in this matter on Tuesday, August 4, 2009, commencing at 9:30 A.M., at the Public Service Board Hearing Room, located on the 3rd floor of the Chittenden Bank Building at 112 State Street in Montpelier, Vermont.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 21st day of July, 2009.

<u>s/ James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/ David C. Coen</u>)	PUBLIC SERVICE
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<u>s/ John D. Burke</u>)	BOARD
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FILED: July 21, 2009

ATTEST: s/ Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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